(b) and (c) There is no such proposal for the present.

Allocation of funds of public sector steel plants

1345. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that capacity utilisation is the sole criterion for allocation of funds to the public sector steel plants; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Suspension of Production at the Sindri Fertilizer Factory

1346. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the production has been suspended at the Sindri Fertiliser Factory of the Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited with effect from November last year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether major cracks in the turbine casing of the main compressor of the ammonia plant was the reason for suspension;

(d) what is the general life span of such a component and for what period it had worked smoothly;

(e) which firm had manufactured the component of the plant; and

(f) with whom the order has been placed to procure a new component?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. In November, 1985 after the annual turn-around, some steam leakage was observed under the insulation of the main steam-turbine. On 11th November, the Syn. gas compressor was stopped and the turbine insulation was opened to locate the source of leakage. A crack was found in the top casing of the steam turbine. The turbine was then dismantled when more cracks were found in the casing. The plant could not, therefore, be run after 11th November. The FCI Management appointed a Committee of Experts to investigate the failure. As per the Committee's observations, the chief reasons for the development of the cracks appear to be the assymetrical heating of the casing caused by the start-up procedures, and the inherent properties of the basic materials used on weld-joints in the casting assembly.

(d) Under normal circumstances, the life of the equipment is about 15—20 years. This particular machine has been in actual operation for about six years.

(e) and (f) The machine was supplied by BHEL and the order for the new casing of the turbine has also been placed on them.

Shifting of the Central Government Offices

1347. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the names of the Central offices shifted outside Delhi during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): The under-mentioned offices of the Central Government have

been shifted outside Delhi during the —— last three years:—

S. No.	Name of Office	Place where shifted
1	Chemical Laboratory of the Geological Survey of India . .	Faridabad
2	Inspectorate of Engineering Equipment and Inspectorate of Eastern Fleet Stores	Faridabad
3	Chief Engineer & Administrator, Adman and Lakshadweep Harbour works	Port Blair
4	Advance Level Telecommunication Training Centre . . .	Ghaziabad

Targets for Urban Water Supply and Sanitation

1348. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that target fixed for urban water supply and sanitation has been scaled down;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether a Conference dealing with Urban Water Supply and Sanitation was held on 7th February, 1986;

(d) if so, what were the main topics discussed there;

(e) whether water supply and sanitation to the urban areas was one of the main points for discussion; and

(f) if so, what decisions was arrived at the Conference?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) The original objective of the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade (1981—1991) was to provide safe and adequate drinking water to 100 per cent of the urban population and sewerage|sanitation facilities to 80 per cent of the urban population by March, 1991. Keeping in view the resources made available for urban water supply and sanitation during the Seventh Five Year Plan as against the projected requirements, the Conference of Ministers in charge of Urban Water Supply and Sanitation endorsed the recommendations of the Mid-Decade Review Conefernce held in October, 1985 that the targets may be scaled down to 90 per cent and 50 per cent respectively, subject to review at a later stage.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The information is given in the enclosed Statement-I (See below).

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) The information is given in the enclosed Statement-II (See below).

Statement-I

Topics discussed at the Conference of Ministers in charge of Urban Water Supply and Sanitation held on 7th February, 1986

I. Urban Water Supply—

(a) Sealing down of Decade targets for Urban Water Supply to 90 per cent in view of the approved outlays for the Seventh Five Year Plan.

(b) Adequate outlays for Urban Water Supply.

(c) The feasibility of revising water tariffs to generate additional resources.